## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA AT BECKLEY

MATTHEW GIBSON,

Plaintiff,

VS.

Civil Action No. 5:21-cv-00181 Honorable Frank W. Volk

LOUISE E. GOLDSTON, individually, COUNTY COMMISSION OF RALEIGH COUNTY, a political subdivision, JEFF MCPEAKE, individually, BRIAN WHITE, individually, BOBBY STUMP, individually, KYLE LUSK, individually,

Defendant.

#### JOINT MOTION TO MODIFY THE SCHEDULING ORDER

Now comes the parties, by counsel, pursuant to Rule 16(b)(4) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and moves the Court to modify the Scheduling Order to extend the deadline for the close of discovery, as well as the dispositive motions deadline, and response to dispositive motions deadline, approximately another thirty (30) days, respectively.

Rule 16(b)(4) of the Federal Rules provides that a "schedule may be modified only for good cause and with the judge's consent".

In support of this Motion, the parties state that although both parties have engaged in written discovery requests, neither party has conducted any depositions. There are several reasons for the delay in depositions, including:

a. There are multiple parties and counsel with varying schedules, causing scheduling difficulties prior to February of 2022;

b. The parties had planned to conduct all necessary depositions on February 7 and 9,

2022 and had noticed the same with the Court. However, one of the parties counsel contracted

COVID-19 at the last moment, thus requiring the depositions to be postponed;

c. The parties are continuing to discuss settlement possibilities;

d. The parties are optimistic that the remainder of the Scheduling Order can be

accommodated without modification.

WHEREFORE, for the above referenced reasons, the parties jointly request and move the

Court to grant their motion to modify the Scheduling Order to allow at least another thirty (30)

days to conduct additional depositions, as well as to submit dispositive motions and responses to

dispositive motions, and for such other and further relief as this Court deems just and fit.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, John H. Bryan, do hereby certify that I have delivered a true copy of the foregoing JOINT MOTION TO MODIFY THE SCHEDULING ORDER has been served upon counsel of record by using the CM/ECF System, this the 7th of February, 2022 and addressed as follows:

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